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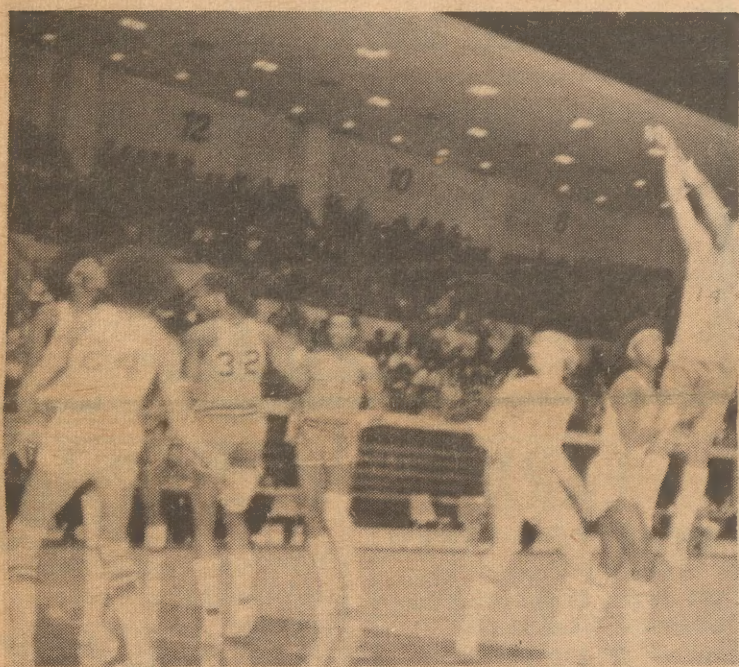
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TONY SMITH Number 14 scores from 25 feet out SUPER-BAD!

WILLIE DAWKINS steals a rebound and scores for SHS.

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Drugs, Treatment In Saginaw

(This is the fifth series on Drug Abuse and Education. Preparation arranged and presented by Stop the Flow of Drugs, Inc.)

The Methadone Clinic is licensed by the state and federal governments. It is affiliated with the Michigan branch of the Department of Mental Health. The director is Father Joe Miller.

He gave me some interesting statistics of which I was not aware. Five cents of Methadone equals fifty dollars of heroin. The Methadone Clinic saves the heroin addict \$7500 a day. This program saves the community eleven million dollars a year in the merchandise addicts steal. It costs the clinic \$5 a day per addict.

The average person seeking the help of the Methadone Clinic is 28, black, male, a non-graduate of about the eleventh grade level.

The staff of the Methadone Clinic consists of 2 or 3 nurses, 2 counselors, one director, one psychologist, an activities therapist, an assistant lawyer, 2 or 3 volunteer



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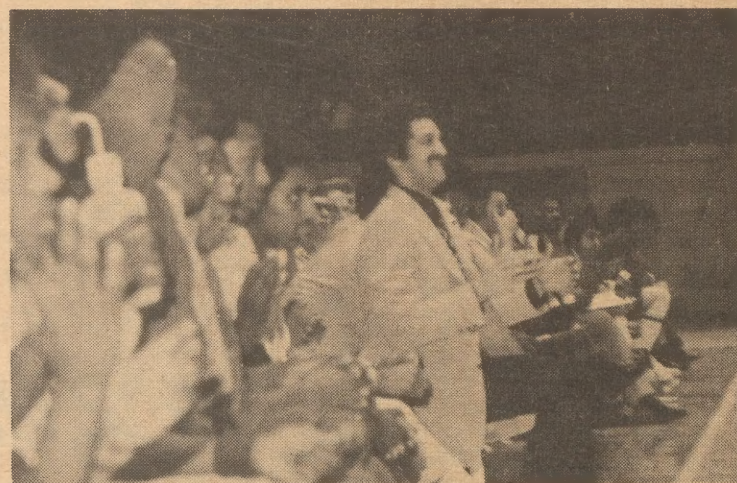
workers and not enough doctor help.

The Methadone Clinic can not begin to alleviate the drug problem Saginaw has. They try to convince the addict to change his life style. The clinic feels that if they can help the addict's body stop aching, perhaps he can then look for employment or begin being concerned about his physical and mental health.

The clinic is not equipped to care for the overdose patients. They are referred to the Saginaw Community Hos-

pital. They also cannot care for the psychotic or physically ill.

Father Joe Miller sees that Saginaw is not doing enough to help with the drug problem. Maybe people don't know that there is a problem. Also, he feels that Saginaw needs different clinics to handle different drug problems. Since the Methadone Clinic is there to help the heroin addicts, maybe we need places to help the cocaine, amphetamine and barbiturate addict. Where do these people go for help?



COACH CHARLES COLES seems to be leading a cheer.

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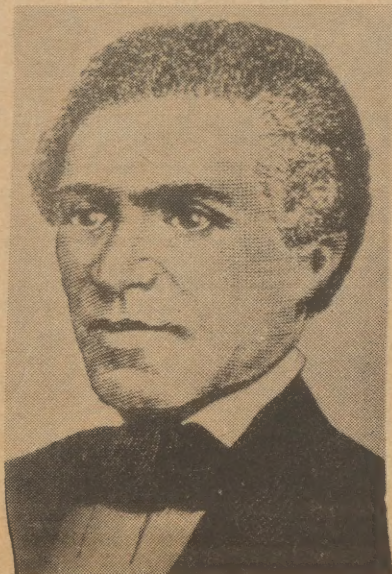
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Black Press Week Marks 146 Years of Printed Protest



Black Press Week, March 11-17, marks 146 years of printed protest against one form of slavery or another for black Americans, says Garth C. Reeves, Sr., president of the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) and editor-publisher of the Miami Times.

"Today, the protest is against economic bondage that holds most black people in the lowest paid, least desirable jobs, as well as in the worst housing in the United States," Mr. Reeves adds.

One hundred and forty-six years ago, the NNPA president continues, when John B. Russwurm and the Rev. Samuel E. Cornish launched Freedom's Journal on March 16, 1827, the fight was against more than 200 years of slavery in the South and for more decent and humane treatment of freedmen in the North.

And although physical slavery was abolished in name more than 100 years ago, and considerable progress has been made, slavery in many forms still exists for black Americans, Mr. Reeves points out.

"And this," declares the NNPA head, "is the continuing challenge of the black press which now stands at 208 in number with a combined circulation of more than four million, according to Dr. Henry G. LaBrie, a research fellow at Harvard University who has just completed a study of the black press."

A good indication of the continuing need for a vigor-

ous black press to help support the long hard fight for full, first-class citizenship for our people is the establishment of more and more black newspapers at a time when white papers are declining in number, Mr. Reeves explains.

According to Dr. LaBrie's study, Mr. Reeves points out, of the 208 black newspapers in America, 132 have been established since 1950; 96 since 1960; and 31 since 1970.

A generation ago, says the NNPA head, black newspapers numbered only a little over 100, although since Russwurm's Freedom's Journal, nearly 3,000 black papers have come and gone. Now there are 208. Of these, five were founded in the 19th century: The Philadelphia Tribune, 1884; the Baltimore Afro-American and the Houston Informer & Texas Freeman, 1892; the Des Moines New Iowa Bystander, 1894; and the Indianapolis Recorder, 1895.

Mr. Reeves says there are now three black dailies in continental U.S.: The Atlanta Daily World, the Chicago Daily Defender, and the New York Daily Challenge. Weeklies number 190, semi-weeklies, five; monthlies and bi-monthlies, 10.

"Black Press Week," Mr. Reeves declares, "is the time for a re-dedication of this press to an ever-continuing fight until every black American is free to advance himself or herself to the full extent of his or her abilities."

People Politics



BY: Georgia Manzie

(Quote*) Among the programs that President Nixon would like to trim-or-eliminate are: Urban Development, low and middle income housing, rent subsidies, some of the job training plans ran by the Dept. of Labor, the "war on poverty", compensatory education for disadvantaged children, and aid to "impacted areas" school districts, by fiscal year July 1, (End of quote). In his 1971 State of the Union Address Mr. Nixon stated his plans are part of the (Quote**) "New American Revolution" and his plans are (Quote**) "To return power to the people".

It seems to me that Mr. Nixon has overlooked several programs and practices of the U.S. government that needs to be trimmed-or-eliminated. I have yet to hear him mention in one of his "speeches" that he will eliminate "welfare cadillacs", by this I mean the luxury cars that government officials are allowed to lease at ridiculously low rates, and what the subsidies that are paid to farmers? or should I say landowners to not grow food, it is hard to believe that there are farmers who get rich of the money they are paid by the government for not using the land for farming. And what about the military budget, it can afford to be sliced a few slices. Let's not forget about Foreign Aid, it too, should be "trimmed". After all if the U.S. can't "afford" to rebuild Watts or Harlem, how can it "afford" to rebuild North Vietnam? Maybe the ghettos of the nation should declare war on the U.S. so that they can be rebuilt . . . Do I hear a Right

On!
* U.S. News Jan. 22, 1973.

** President Nixon's 1971
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Through the Grapevine

Aretha Franklin will leave Atlantic Records for a \$5,000,000 contract with Columbia, unless of course, Atlantic bids \$6,000,000! The Four Tops have left Motown for ABC, Gladys Knight and the Pips have left Motown for Buddah, Richard Roundtree (Shaft) has been placed on the International Best Dressed List of 1972. Al Greene has been named Soul Brother No. 1 by all three of the record industry's trade publications!, Curtis Mayfield has been dropped from the Academy Awards nominations because his theme song "Freddie's Dead" on his album "Superfly" doesn't contain the same words used in the movie "Superfly"!!!, Issac (Black Moses) Hayes has decided to do a color centerfold in nude for a magazine this spring, the name of the magazine was not revealed. Bill (Lean On Me) Withers and Denise Nickloss of Room 222 have married. The race is on!!! Cecily Tyson and Paul Winfield of "Sounder" as well as Diana Ross and Billy Dee Williams of "Lady Sings The Blues" have all been nominated for an oscar, Flip Wilson and Rosylin Taylor a former Playboy bunny are to be married in six months, incidentally Wilson has been cleared of the parenity suit brought against him by dancer Mabel Robinson. No sooner than millionaire David Frost announced the cancellation of his plans to marry Diana Carroll (Julia) this Easter, did she up and marry Freddie Glusman, the owner of several clothing shops in Las Vegas, Russel Thompkins, lead singer of the Stylistics says he's tired of singing and is seriously considering quitting show business to enroll in college. Ron O'Neal (Priest) wore a partial toupee in the movie "Superfly" because he is going bald in the top. To all those second generation Billy Holiday fans, Atlantic has released an album and tape of hers entitled "Strange Fruit", the recording was previously released as a single and was a protest song of the 1930's the record voiced her feelings against the lynching of Blacks, it is one of the songs on the album which tends to prove that Lady didn't always sing the blues!!! To all you TV veiwers the television show SOUL! are asking the public to send in letters requesting the continuation of SOUL!, the address is SOUL!, 304 West 58th St., New York, New York 10019, so get out the ink and write!!!

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Mardi Gras Ball



KING FOR THE night, Mr. James McGee.

BY: Charlene Colvin

James McGee was the lucky guy to be crowned "King of the Mardi Gras" on Saturday, March 10, when the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa held its annual fund raising affair with a Mardi Gras theme.

Many of the guests took the good sisters at their word and came in various imaginative costumes. Those who took prizes for the best costumes at the end of the evening were John Gibson and Margaret Coleman, who both wore the traditional black and white stripes of ex-convicts, Odessa Smith, dressed as a giant bunny rabbit and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Strode who came as Daniel Boone and Annie Oakley. Other guests in costume were Mr. & Mrs. Robert Viera in Boy and Girl Scout uniforms; Mr. & Mrs. Charles Batsell as an Indian Chief and his lovely princess; James Woods of House of Style as Saginaw's only black pirate, and his sister Mamie West as his slave girl; others came as a clown, a Hawaiian girl in a grass skirt; poncho-sombrero Senors, East Indians in guru coat and sari, Arabian Harem girl, gauchos, and various Afro costumes. To complement this array of characters, the sorority sisters were all dressed in red caftans and gold turbans, looking uniformly stunning.

The evening was a busy one, with sister Rosie Hall acting as mistress of ceremonies in her usual cool, humorous way. And there was dancing to the music of the Reggie Roberts Trio; though the Trio was nearly two hours

late arriving, they did provide a modicum of fine music eventually.

The choosing of the King was done by drawing; Mrs. Hall invited Mr. Frederick Ford, the new director of Saginaw OIC, to pull a name from the collection of ticket stubs, reminding him often to keep his eyes closed. When he pulled out the name of James McGee, the new king was crowned and presented with his staff and sword. Then he chose his Queen, pretty Miss Birdell Buffin. Seated at the King's table, the two were served royally by the costumed Phi Delta Kappa sisters.

Also present for the celebration, besides those already named, were the Terry Pruitts, the Riley Dennets, Prof. and Mrs. Paul Leak, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hall, Jr., and the James Shelbys, as well as Barnes Hall, the best dancer in the Saginaw Police Department and many other familiar faces.

The credit for this evening of fun and entertainment goes to the sorority's dance committee, including Chairwoman Rosie Hall and her co-chairwoman Mary Morris and members Mrs. Jewell Hall, Mrs. Angeline Vernon, Mrs. Cora Jones, Mrs. Oena McCray and Mrs. Irene Carter.

The funds raised at the dance will be used to give educational scholarships to seniors from various area high schools who qualify by taking the national Phi Delta Kappa examination.

Thanks to the sisters for proving that a "worthy cause" doesn't mean we can't have a good time, too!



THE LOVELY Mrs. Karlene Beatty.



EVEN PIRATES are friendly sometimes. Mr. James Wood and sister.



MRS JEWELL HALL poses with some of the exciting party-goers.



MR. AND MRS. Robert Viera came as boy scouts and girl scouts.

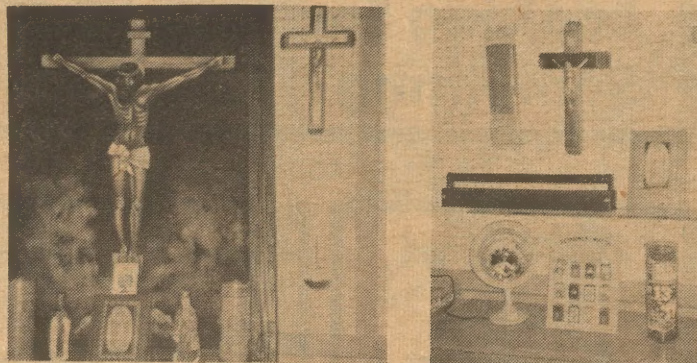


CHIEF "WOUNDED Knee" doesn't seem to be too happy about the situation. Mr. and Mrs. Charles.



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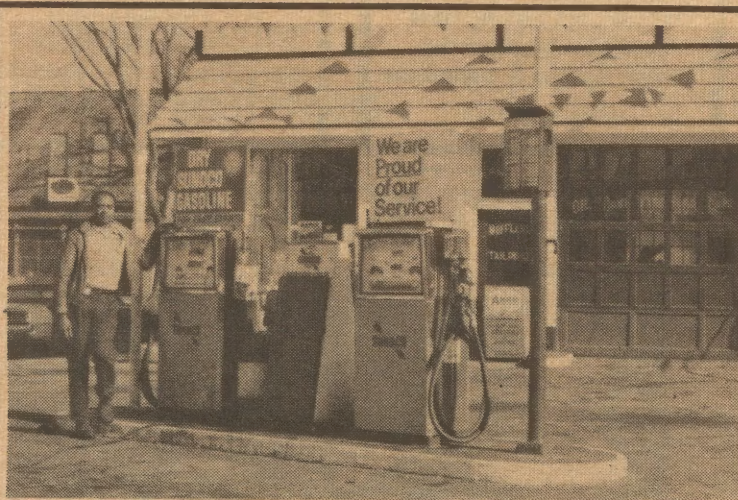
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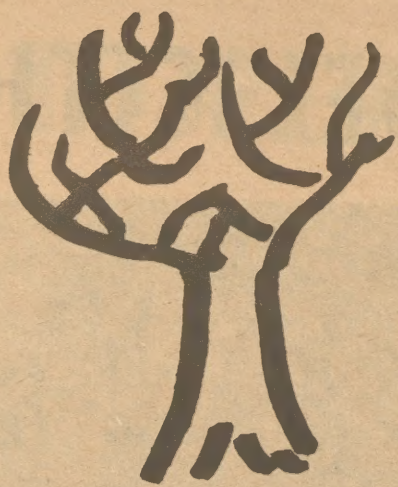
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BY: Dawn Beckwith

Have you ever wondered what it is like for an officer on duty? I have and I've gotten the chance to find out for myself. It was a very exciting experience (or should I say the most exciting experience) for me, but, of course, nerve racking. You just couldn't realize what it's really like to be in a marked police car, the officers wearing their uniforms and the citizens staring at you with some of them wishing they could rip you apart. I can't understand why those particular citizens feel the way they do. Why can't I, well please keep reading this article and I pray to God you'll

understand how I feel about the Buena Vista Police Department.

The first step of the day was to ride with an officer of only one kind, Leroy Barnes. He showed me around the Buena Vista area. While on this trip he would stop at different houses that were vacant or the people were gone for a few days and check them out to make sure the doors and windows were shut and locked. This is only one of the many services they do for the citizens but some must not feel that way for when we were riding around I asked him how many officers were on duty on this particu-

lar shift. And he said not enough than there should be. Buena Vista is quite a large township and they definitely need more than they have, not only for their protection but mostly for the citizens of that area and believe me people, that means - YOU!

The Buena Vista Police Department (BVPD) also go to the different area schools and give lectures to the students on drug abuse which is a number one problem all over the country and lectures on safety.

But like I say, Officer Barnes is a great guy and he does his duty with great care.

I also got a chance to ride with Officers Chet Kozak and David Franceschina (I know, I can't pronounce it either), now here is a pair. When they are patrolling the area they like to wave to the little kids on the sidewalks or in the yards. I think this is really neat because this way kids aren't so afraid of officers. You never know, they just might need their help some day. So when they need their help they'll go get it and not be hesitant about it.

They showed me the areas that are the most troublesome ones. The houses people are actually living in are run down, windows broken, doors off and they look as if they would fall to the ground if you touched them. Not only that but dogs are all over the place and ready to bite your head off. Oh, yes, I almost forgot, there are three or four horses running around there loose who no one claims.

Buena Vista Police have to deal with a lot of family fights which they consider one of the most dangerous calls. They really don't know what to expect with them. But when they do need help, they've got it within three to five minutes.

Another problem area in Buena Vista Township is the Fort Saginaw Mall. There is a lot of shoplifting mostly from the juveniles and a lot of cars are broken into also.

I asked them about the recreation areas there are and the answer was nothing. But the BVPD is trying to get the Star School and make it a

Drop In Center. This would be for the kids in the area. There would be pool tables, games, basketball, football, & movies. To help this along a bit they are planning a money fund by having a circus at Buena Vista High School May 9, 1973. Sponsored by Buena Vista Chapter of Police Officers Association of Michigan. I wish them all the power to them!

The Buena Vista Police Department has five major goals for their days work and they are: Public Relations, Traffic, Complaints, Area Ch-

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ecks and Building Checks.

Well, that was my great experience with the Buena Vista Police Department and I learned a great deal from them. In closing, I wish to extend my gratefulness to Chief Loster and of course, those great looking officers. And most of all I hope you have learned something from my experience, too.

Multi-Center Basketball Team Has 14-0 Record

Multi-Purpose Center Basketball team captured the City League championship with a 14-0 record.

The team consisted of the following players: Dick William, Roy Manning, Adrian Prince, Woodrow Kellum, Pat De'Bardelaben, Marshall Thomas, Matthew Robinson, Joe Daniels, Robert Drain, Jerry Patton, Lloyd Lindsey, Norwaine Reed.

This was the first year for this team and in my opinion it is one of the strongest teams that has been in the Saginaw city league, says Manager Ruben Irwin.

The team met and defeated Ann Arbor's Collins Pharmacy in the class A District Tournament Semi finals on Monday, March 12, 1973 at the Harry Hill High School in Lansing by a score of 79-68. The Saginaw Multi-Purpose team was defeated in the second game played Thursday, March 15, 1973 at the Eastern High School, Lansing by the Lansing city Champ by a score of 79-74.

The Saginaw Multi-Purpose

team will be entering into the Michigan open Month of April, 1973.

We hope that many of friends and people of the communities will come and support their team, they are a nice bunch of fellows.

3 Delta College Students Awarded Scholarships

Three Delta College students have been awarded scholarships up to \$1000 each by the College Entrance Examination Board for the Ford Foundation.

The students, all from Saginaw, are Crystal Jones, Linda San Miguel and Amos Lane. The students were selected on the basis of their grade point average, citizenship qualities and moral characteristics, along with financial need, according to Harry A. Waldbridge, financial aids director at Delta.

Other students receiving honorable mention were Adriane Bowie and Hector Garcia. While they do not receive scholarships, their names and home addresses will be included in a roster to be distributed to the Director of Admissions of all four-year, degree granting colleges and universities in the United States.

The Ford Foundation scholarships are awarded annually to minority students across the state.

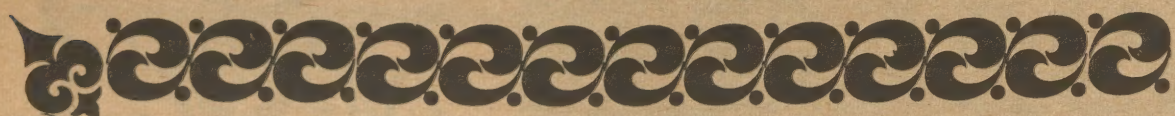
Miss San Miguel is the daughter of Mrs. Louisa San Miguel of 2316 Jerome; Miss Jones is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Williams of 1413 Lapeer; and Lane is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Lane Sr. of 2341 Berkley Ct.

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CHIEF LOSTER talks with one of his officers.



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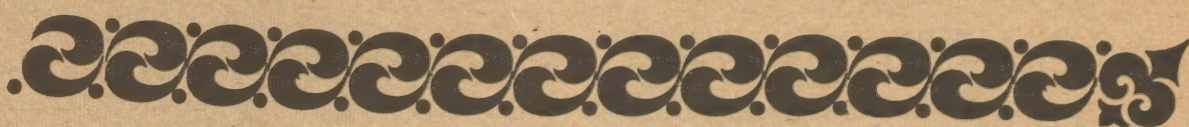


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From the Editor's Desk - -



JIM COLVIN, EDITOR

EDITOR BIDS FAREWELL TO MODEL CITIES NEWS

To the City Council, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Model Cities Policy Board and faithfully supporting Model Neighborhood residents: We bid you good-bye as the editor and staff of the Model City Newspaper. It has been a pleasure to serve you for more than two years, a sometimes tiring, but mostly rewarding experience.

It has been difficult as always to serve the needs of all, but nonetheless it has been a challenge to try. Your comments and criticism has been helpful to us, so that we were able to be more effective in working with the problems we all face. Although the Model City News will no longer be a marital partner with the Valley Star, still we look forward to maintaining your readership of the Valley Star.

Many of you have been disappointed with the Model Cities concept as a whole and I am sure some of you have been disappointed with the Model City News. Model Cities was meant to be a learning, growing process and the Model City News was a part of that process. We have had our pitfalls and we would be the first to say that no man is an island; one man, or one part of a system, can not change that system.

Although the Model Cities program will remain with you through the year of 1974, you can not sit and dream of a Moses to take you through this critical period. It has been said so many times that I feel it is only being fair to yourselves to agree that Model Cities is people and that means you.

The people of the Saginaw Model Neighborhood have been seriously disappointed, in the goals and efforts of our local program. Many of these disappointments are because you failed to get involved and allowed someone else to make decisions for you that in no way improved the lives and livelihood of the community in which we live.

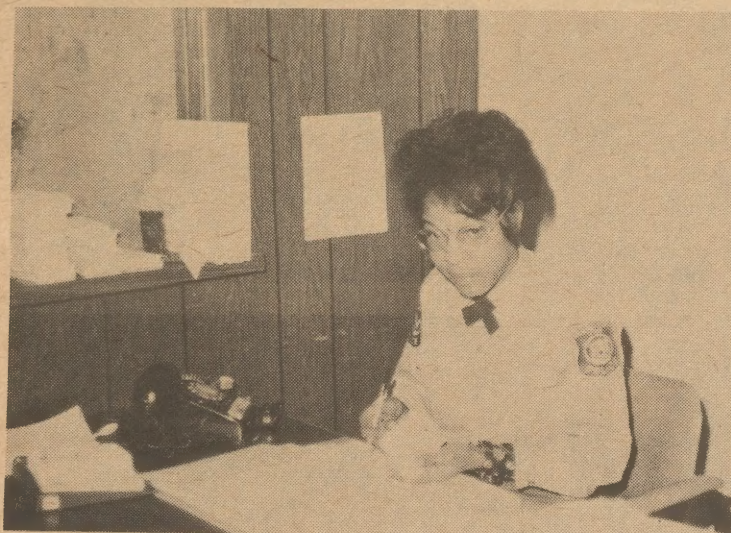
Five years ago, when the Saginaw Model Neighborhood was first declared a target area, eligible for federal funds, it was because the area was so blighted and economically depressed. Now, five years later, after the spending of more than \$3 million dollars, the same neighborhood is a disaster area. We have not seen one sign of physical improvement in the area; not one sign of new economic development can be seen and in fact about sixty percent of the business that was in the area has now left; this has put the residents at the mercy of the power structure. Regardless how much money you may earn within the neighborhood you have to take it into the elite suburbs to spend it.

The residents of the Model Neighborhood are being blamed for the blight in northeast Saginaw, for destruction of everything good in the area. But at the same time, who is spending more money in other parts of the city; according to the 1971-72 consumer report, members of minority groups spend more on food and clothing, than any other people. The point is that until some of the money you pour into other parts of the city start pouring back into Model Neighborhood, you are going to be the black sheep, the city's stepchildren.

Residents of northeast Saginaw cannot look forward to the Model Cities program solving their problems during the remaining fourteen months of the program. If you do not want to see northeast Saginaw become a stagnant puddle of crime, poverty, illiteracy and segregation, then you had better start marching on City Hall and demanding some changes. By the way, one group which is already doing some marching and some demanding and showing good sense and dedication in the process, is Saginaw United Neighborhoods

Association and any citizen might do well to consider joining forces with this group.

Even though some of my experiences with Model Cities has been painful and bitter, I can proudly say that there have been many rewarding educational, social, political and cultural experiences as well. It has been an opportunity for which I am grateful and I would like to share some of the highlights with our readers in the pictures on the following pages.



FIRST BLACK FEMALE officer in Saginaw County. Officer Walker is making out her daily report.



SGT. REINHARDT gives special attention to all emergency phone calls.



SGT. BARNES looks out his patrol car to check the area.



JACQUELINE TEMPLETON

12-Year-Old Girl Saves Life

On Saturday, March 10, at 713 Athens, one of the seven children of Mrs. Dorothy Blakes was doing his Saturday chores mopping the floors, when having walked away from the mop pail, he turned back to see that his 11-month old nephew, Eddie, had dived into the pail head first. Sammie called for his mother to help get the choking baby

out of the water. When Mrs. Blakes rushed into the room, hearing her son's shouts and seeing her choking grandson, she panicked and was unable to do anything to save the child.

While Sammie searched frantically for his Boy Scout first aid manual, 12-year-old Jacqueline Templeton, also one of Mrs. Blakes' children,

arrived on the scene. Quickly remembering a first aid demonstration she had seen in the third grade, given by the Saginaw Fire Department, Jacqueline began to revive her strangling nephew by mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. As she continued to help the baby breathe, the water began to flow back out of his mouth so that he was no longer choking.

By the time the Rescue Squad arrived, little Eddie was no longer in need of a rescue. However, he was hospitalized for a short time for observation and is now happily back at home.

The Blakes family, needless to say, is more than grateful for Jacqueline's knowledge and presence of mind and for her quick action in preventing a precious child from becoming a tragic statistic.

NOTICE

Anyone interested in having a block club meeting in area six, please contact the Model Cities office at 1407 Janes or phone 754-1463 for further information.

Free Transportation Available for Senior Citizens

Transportation is now available for Model Neighborhood Senior Citizens. If you need transportation for any purpose just dial 754-1463 and ask for senior citizen services. Give the operator your name, address, phone number and destination. Service is available only in the afternoon. Service will be expanded in the very near future. Please call in the mornings.

Be a Saturday hero.



Be a Big Brother.

St. Lukes C.M.C. Song Festival



Power of Oath Quartet

BY: Jim Colvin

St. Lukes C.M.C. held a soul warming song festival, Sunday, March 11. The program was opened by the congregation singing Jesus Is Calling. After which a prayer was led by Rev. Samuel Taylor. The program was intensified by a selection song by The Power Of Faith Quartet. This group of young men really got the people loose, as they opened on a familiar spiritual Come By Here My Lord. They were followed by Mrs. Thelma Falls doing a solo, she was accompanied on piano by Stanley Simms. They were proceeded by the powerful voice, The Spirit Revivals, under the leadership of Mrs. Martha Bell Glover, who plays a soulful guitar also sings along with the group. As the evening began to diminish St. Luke's Gospel Choir stepped forward with the beautiful number that reminds us all of that coming day, as

they sang We're Marching Up To That Beautiful City of God. Then the lovely Rev. Mrs. O.L. Barr who was mistress of ceremony stepped to the microphone and welcomed all the visitors and guest to this lovely program. I would like to thank her for paying a special tribute to the Valley Star editor, Mr. Jim Colvin and the lovely remarks she made in regards to the newspaper. If your heart wasn't in the right place when you got there, I'm sure it had begun to shift in the right direction before you left.

Refreshments were served in the church basement and everyone was invited to join. "May the spirit remain with you, St. Lukes. And special thanks to the Rev. and Mrs. O.L. Barr and Mrs. Lillian Jones who was program director. God Bless you all."



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BY: Mark Colvin

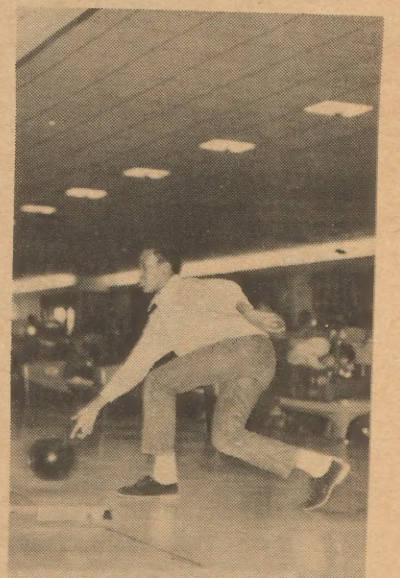
Arthur Eddy bowlers keep on penning. This week we are featuring pictures of them in action. Check 'em out and you might learn how to make a "Lucky Strike". Say and I can dig the trophies they won.



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"Rap with the Star"



DEMENE HALL ---

BY: Georgia Manzie

I was sitting at my desk one morning tapping away at my typewriter and at the same time wondering who would be the first person to ap-



pear in my "Rap with the Stars" articles. When in walked a black and beautiful sister by the name of Demene Hall. As she walked, an "air of elegance" seemed to surround her so I just had to ask her who she was or should I say what she was. She told me that she is formerly of Saginaw and is now an aspiring actress that has already been accepted in the Actors Equity as a junior member! In case you don't know, Actors Equity is the "U.A.W." of the acting field. Once an actor becomes a member of this union he or she is given help to chose their stage name and they are also given first priority to theater assignments. Now back to Demene. She is 24 and was a 1966 graduated of SHS. Upon graduating she sought a career in physical education, so she enrolled at Delta and graduated the year 1968-69. Miss Hall then taught Phy. Ed. at St. Stephens High School year 1969-70. While teaching at St. Stephens she won a part in the play "Raisin In The Sun", she received excellent reviews which inspired Mr. James Henderson of the Saginaw News to tell her of the Academy of Dramatic Art located at Oakland University

in Rodchester, Michigan. Miss Hall was "stung by the entertainment bug", after her year at St. Stephens she packed her bags headed for Rodchester and was accepted on the spot. At the Academy she and other students were taught voice control, make-up, stage fighting or (stunts) ect. Miss Hall graduated from the Academy in 1972.

I asked Demene how she felt about the current flock of black films. She stated she wasn't concerned about the quantity but it was the quality that she was concerned about. She said that now all a white producer has to do is make a film with a lot of blood, lots of killing, lots of sex and a lot of Blacks and it is a box office smash. Miss Hall and I agreed that the time will come when the masses of black people will demand producers to produce and actors to act. We also agreed that Cicely Tyson of the movie "Sounder" has got to be the boldest, blackest and most beautiful of all actresses around, because Miss Tyson portrayed the role of a strong black woman who kept her family together during the Depression. I must add that Miss Tyson endured many years of

in Saginaw and the lack of facilities to have these talents refined. After all there is only so much a high school band or choir can do for an aspiring musician or singer. And there is only so much that Saginaw's Soul Sister No. 1, the legendary Ms. Claudine Wicks of the Civitan Center can do for aspiring dancer. There is a definite need in Saginaw for a place where cultural arts can be professionally developed.

By the time this article is published, Miss Hall will have left Saginaw. When I interviewed her she told me she was leaving the next day. Now that she has left Saginaw to travel the steep, bumpy and twisted road of entertainment, why don't you and all of Saginaw join me in wishing her success.

The following is a brief resume of Miss Hall's Acting experience: Delta Community College Arts-1969, Rasin in the Sun; Academy of Dramatic Art-1970-72, Macbeth, Winter's Tale, Orchestra, Traveler Without Luggage, Cherry Orchard; Richard 111 Studio Theatre, Present Laughter, All That Jazz (premiere), Romeo and Juliet, Getting Married, Spoon River Anthology;



DEMENE DURING A

unemployment "waiting for the right role". Miss Hall firmly stated that she also would hold out until she was offered a positive role.

Miss Hall emphasized that she is very concerned about the abundance of raw talent



rap session at Valley Star.

Misc., Bed of Blood (science fiction film), EPTUS, Nat. Mental Health Ints. (industrial film); Meadow Brook Theatre, Miracle Worker (was accepted in Actors' Equity after performance).

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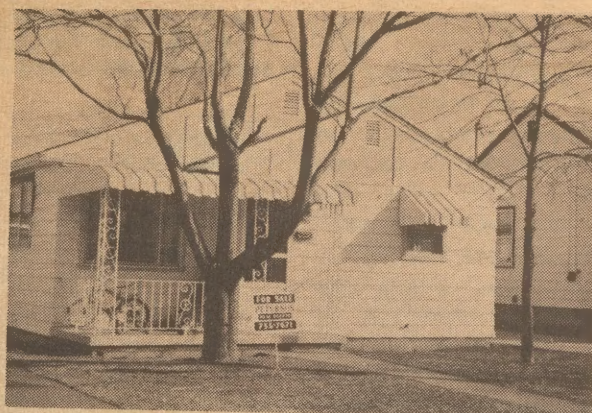
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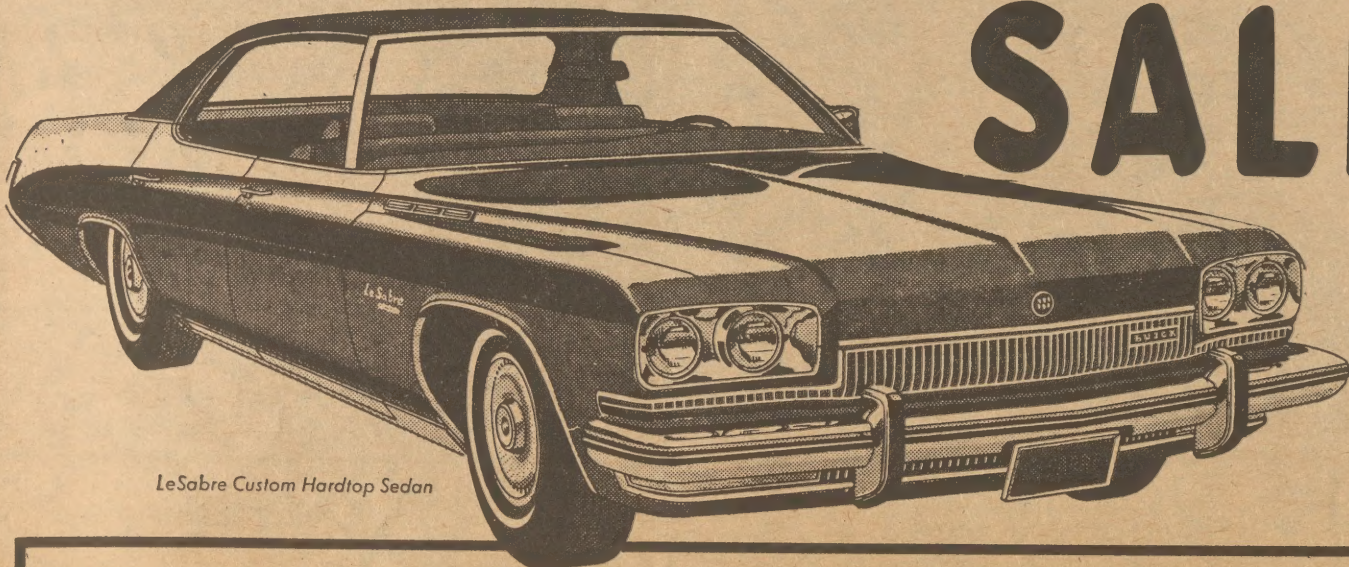
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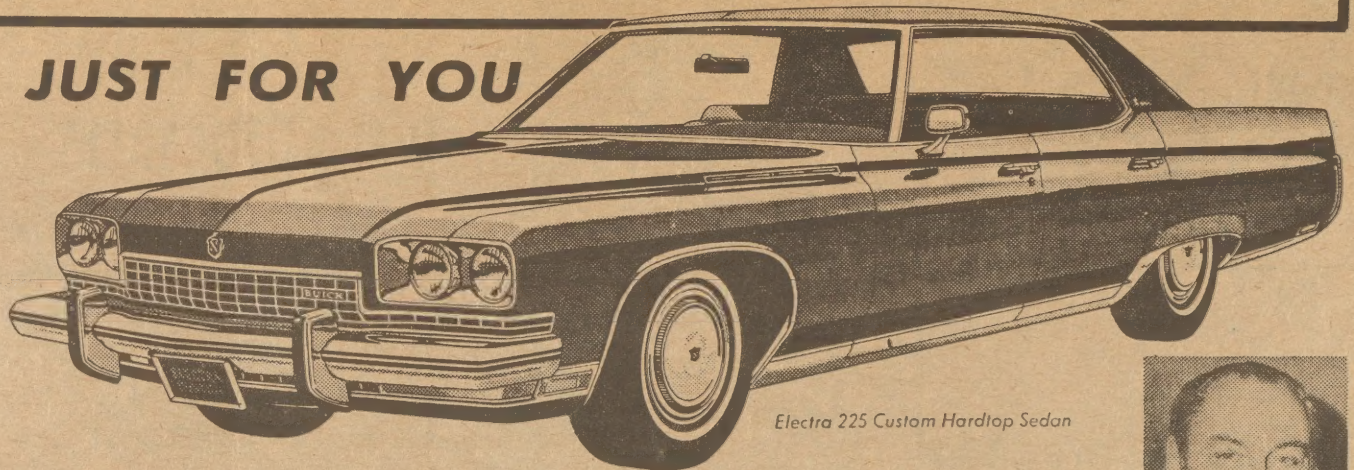


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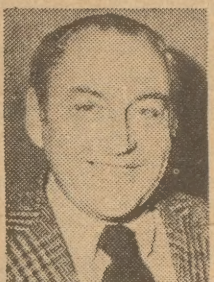


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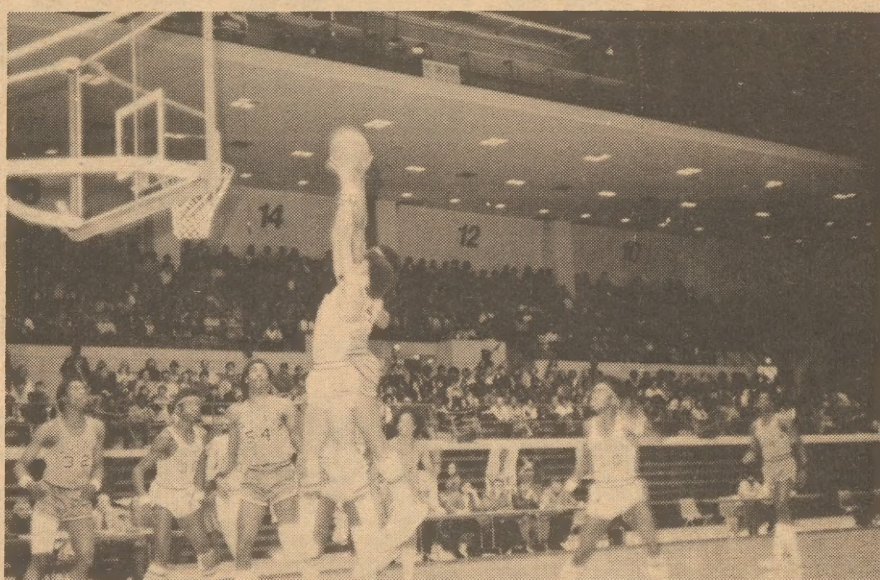
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